

DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2009

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:49 by President Keough in the Copeland Board Room located at 7714 Dexter Ann Arbor Rd. in Dexter, Michigan

B. ROLL CALL: President Keough

J. Carson	P. Cousins
D. Fisher	J. Semifero-arrived at 7 pm
J. Smith	R. Tell

C. Motion Fisher; support Carson to go into closed session to discuss potential purchase of property in accordance with MCL 15.268(8d).

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Tell, Carson and Keough

Nays: None

Absent: Semifero

Motion carries

Motion Cousins; support Fisher to move out of closed session at 7:28 pm.

Ayes: Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson, Fisher, Cousins and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

Recess to move to 7720 Dexter Ann Arbor Road – Dexter Senior Center

D. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting Minutes - September 14, 2009

Motion Smith; support Carson to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2009.

Motion Semifero; support Cousins to postpone the approval of the Regular Council Minutes of September 14, 2009 until the next meeting.

Ayes: Semifero, Tell, Fisher, Carson, Cousins, Smith and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

E. PREARRANGED PARTICIPATION

None

F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion Semifero; support Cousins to approve the agenda with the addition of item J-2, Parks & Recreation Commission Report – Joe Semifero; J-4, item 5, Dexter Jeffords Update; and M-9, Discussion of Irrigation Well Request.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

G. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Action on each public hearing will be taken immediately following the close of the hearing

H. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

None

I. COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. Upcoming Meeting List
- b. Washtenaw County Administrator – 2010/2011 Budget Recommendations
- c. Information from Comcast regarding accessibility of the Weather Channel
- d. Letter from Chelsea Area Construction Agency

J. REPORTS

1. Community Development Manager – Allison Bishop

Ms. Bishop submits her report as per packet. In addition Ms. Bishop reported that the Village did not receive the Plum Creek Grant for interpretive signage for Mill Creek Park; the Parks and Recreation Commission will be looking at the scope of work for design and development of Mill Creek Park; and reviewed the bidders and process for the Community Park grading and landscaping improvements.

2. Boards, Commissions. & Other Reports-“Bi-annual or as needed”

Huron River Watershed Council Representative – Paul Cousins

Mr. Cousins reported that the Watershed Council is getting ready to put a new web design into place in the next two weeks; the newsletter will discuss climate change and what you can do about it; requested information on water loss in the Village mentioning that Ann Arbor can read water meters twice a day and/or every 15 minutes on some for breaks; looking for state wide legislation on phosphates; Suds on the River was very successful – raising \$20,000; the State of Michigan will be receiving and administering a Cash for Clunkers on replacement of high energy washing machines and dishwashers; and answered a question regarding crossings based on the Natural Rivers Act.

Parks and Recreation Commission – Joe Semifero

Mr. Semifero gave an update of recent Parks and Recreation Commission meeting mentioning the University of Michigan student project; landscape improvements at Community Park; began discussion of a parks and recreation millage; and looking at recommending a park use permit fee and will present this to council at a future Council meeting.

Washtenaw Area Transportation Study Policy Committee Rep – Jim Carson

Mr. Carson reported that the federal government is having difficulty coming up with federal transportation stimulus money and after 2010; Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will not have matching funds for federal dollars. Mr. Carson also reviewed some of the project grant areas.

3. Subcommittee Reports - None

4. Village Manager Report

Mrs. Dettling submits her report as per packet. In addition Mrs. Dettling reported on the Jeffords Project Update and Forest Street paving which is about 95% completed and the sewer lining project is being done in a short period of time with little inconvenience to residents.

5. President's Report

Mr. Keough submits his report as per packet. In addition Mr. Keough gave an update on the regional fire department discussion meeting among leaders from Western Washtenaw County on the afternoon of September 23rd with four government groups at the table – Village of Dexter and the townships of Dexter, Scio and Webster with the City of Chelsea, Chelsea Area Fire Department and Lima Township as observers; the Village will continue to host the regional fires department meetings on the third Wednesday of the month at 3:30 pm at the Dexter Library and mentioned the request for a facilitator; and Mr. Keough mentioned that at the last Downtown Development Authority (DDA) meeting a redevelopment team is being formed for the DAPCO property and will have 4 DDA members, staff liaisons of Mrs. Dettling and Ms. Bishop, and Mr. Keough will be appointing two members from Council, one from Parks and Recreation Commission and one from Planning Commission.

K. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$255,519.95
2. Consideration of: Reappointment of Pat Cousins as the Village Representative to the Dexter District Library Board.
3. Consideration of: Setting Trick-or-Treat for Saturday, October 31, 2009 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Motion Fisher; support Smith to approve items 1, 2 and 3 of the consent agenda as presented.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

L. OLD BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of:

1. Discussion of: Facilities

Rich Henes of Cornerstone Design reviewed relocation options at 8140 Main Street.

Motion Smith; support Cousins to proceed with Option 1 - (Elevator/Stairs/Restrooms) project to the backside of the fire station with a bridge connector to Alpine Street and authorize staff to work with Cornerstone Design to proceed with the design of the project.

Ayes: Tell, Carson, Cousins, Smith, Fisher and Keough

Nays: Semifero

Motion carries 6 to 1

At 9:02 pm a recess was taken and the meeting re-convened at 9:07 pm.

M. NEW BUSINESS-Consideration of and Discussion of:

1. Consideration of: Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee Activities - Budget Request and Amendment

Motion Cousins; support Smith to authorize the amount for the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee as specified of \$5700 and additional comments as recommended by the Village President.

Ayes: Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

2. Consideration of: Main Street Bridge Sediment Placement Area Restrictive Covenants & Authorization for Village Manager to Sign the Covenant

Motion Tell; support Carson to approve the Restrictive Covenant for the Main Street Bridge sediment area as required by Michigan Department of Environmental Quality permit #07-81-0070-P, its recording, and authorize Donna Dettling, Village Manager, to sign the covenant.

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

3. Consideration of: Waterways Infrastructure Grant Agreement and Resolution

Motion Tell; support Fisher that the Village of Dexter, Michigan, accepts the terms of the agreement as received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and that the Village agrees, but not by way of limitation, as follows: 1) to appropriate the sum of Forty-eight Thousand Seventy-nine dollars (\$48,079.00) to match the Forty-eight Thousand Seventy-nine dollars (\$48,079.00) State grant authorized by the Department; 2) to maintain satisfactory financial accounts, document, and records, and to make them available to the Department for auditing at reasonable times; 3) to construct the facilities and provide the funds, services,

and materials as may be necessary to satisfy the terms of the Agreement; 4) to ensure that all premises, buildings, and equipment related procedures comply with all applicable State and federal regulations; 5) to establish and appoint the Village Manager to regulate the use of the facilities constructed under this Agreement to assure the use thereof by the public on equal and reasonable terms; 6) to enforce all State statutes and local ordinances pertaining to marine safety and to enforce statutes of the State of Michigan with the confines of the Village pertaining to licensing of watercraft. Watercraft not fully complying with the laws of the State of Michigan relative to licensing shall not be permitted to use the facility until full compliance with those laws has been made; 7) to comply with all terms of the Agreement, including all terms not specifically set forth in the foregoing portions of this Resolution.

Ayes: Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson, Fisher, Cousins and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

4. Consideration of: Sustain Our Great Lakes Grant Project Options and Resolution approving the Village's Commitment and Application Submittal

Motion Cousins; support Carson that the Village of Dexter Council hereby authorizes Community Development Manager, Allison Bishop, to submit a Community Grant Application through the Sustain Our Great Lakes Program for funding consideration in an amount not to exceed \$211,200 with a 50% Village match of \$105,600, for a Mill Creek Post Dam Removal Stream Bank Stabilization and Habitat Restoration Project. And be it further resolved, that upon approval of the grant application, the Village of Dexter commits to financing the project with a combination of cash, staff time and potential project partner or contributions of funding, time or other resources.

Ayes: Semifero, Tell, Fisher, Carson, Cousins, Smith and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

5. Consideration of: Hazard Mitigation Plan – Five Year Update

Motion Carson; support Fisher that the updated Hazard Mitigation Plan is hereby adopted as an official plan of the Village of Dexter; the Hazard Mitigation Plan will be updated every five years as required by FEMA with the assistance of Washtenaw County; and the Village manager will be responsible for ensuring that the strategies in the Plan or implemented with the understanding that the implementation is based on the availability of funding and staff resources.

Ayes: Tell, Carson, Cousins, Smith, Fisher, Semifero and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

6. Consideration of: \$500 for Facilitator Fees for the Regional Fire Department Evaluation Discussion from Account 101.101.000.802.00 – Council Professional Services

Motion Carson; support Smith to allocate \$500 for Facilitator Fees for the Regional Fire Department Evaluation Discussion from Account 101.101.000.802.00 – Council Professional Services.

Ayes: Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell and Keough
Nays: None
Motion carries

7. Discussion of: Dexter Ann Arbor Road – American Recovery & Reinvestment Act Project

Motion Cousins; support Carson to add curbing to the existing roadway and rehab roadway on Dexter-Ann Arbor Road from Meadowview to Kensington Streets as a part of the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act Project.

Ayes: Cousins and Carson
Nays: Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell and Keough
Motion fails 5 to 2

8. Discussion of: Town Hall Meeting

Ms. Nicholls gave an update on the October 7, 2009 Town Hall Meeting agenda.

9. Discussion of: Irrigation Well Request by Dexter Community Schools at Mill Creek Middle School

Discussion followed on establishing an irrigation well at Mill Creek Middle School for the purpose of watering the athletic playing fields located there. Jerry Brand was present in the audience to answer questions.

N. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Semifero	a) Suggested creating a vendors list and sending out bids via e-mail; b) requested that the Parks & Recreation Commission be on the report list on the second meeting of the month; and c) think that the roads that have be done through the asset management program look good – will have to see how they look next year.
Cousins	Will reserve judgment on the road program as groves can be seen through the stones on Baker Road; and really appreciate the project time line from staff.
Smith	None
Jones	Have tickets for sale for the St. Andrew's Sauerkraut Supper on October 15
Carson	Mentioned the enclosure in Council packet from Dexter Crossings and highlighted the Chelsea Area Planning Team/Dexter Area Regional Team draft also included in the packet.
Fisher	None
Tell	None

O. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

Dinah Grissom of 3360 Central Street, Dexter stated that she lives on Central Street and not in a hurry to have anything done on the street. Mrs. Grissom likes the idea of public restrooms downtown but not enthused about having Village Offices at the Fire Hall; why not consider the Pharmacy Building on Main Street for Village Offices.

P. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Smith; support Fisher to adjourn at 10:53 pm.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

Respectfully submitted,

Carol J. Jones
Clerk, Village of Dexter

Approved for Filing: October 12, 2009